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City Council District H★NEWS

District H News for You!

The first 100 days

A Guide to what's happening around your district.
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Armando Bermundez!

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Dear Neighbor:

I have been in office for over three months now, and things have been swiftly moving along. My staff and I have been working very hard to ensure a better quality of life for all residents of District H.

Please remember that you can contact my office at anytime, and we will be more than glad to assist you. We look forward to helping you!

100 days at City Council: A Commitment to Public Service

A brief look at some accomplishments and endeavors lead by Council Member Gonzalez, during his first 100 days in office:

- Sponsored 4th of July Celebratory Gunfire Awareness campaign press conference with local law enforcement agencies and Crime Stoppers Houston.
- Collaborated with local elected officials to lobby federal lawmakers for more funding for HPD academy classes.
- Partnered with local IBEW Union and provided air conditioner for elderly constituent.
- Appointed by Mayor White as Chair of Volunteer Outreach for Census 2010 outreach.
- Opened Satellite Office in Heights at old Fire Station on Yale Street with support from the Houston Heights Association.
- Reached out to residents along Fulton Street about future plans to connect downtown with the Northside BOND area.
- Collaborated with METRO and city to preserve the historic facade of the building at 4819 Harrisburg Street by moving to Eastwood Park.
- Initiated a collaborative effort with Crime Stoppers Houston to offer \$5,000 reward for details about Heights arson fires.
- Coordinated 9 town halls throughout the district to hear directly from concerned constituents.
- Expedited water park improvements at Denver Harbor's Nieto Park.
- Continued working with Veteran's Memorial Park Group to plan for Phase II projects at park.
- Organizing with local public safety agencies and High School for Law Enforcement for "Public Safety 101" workshop event.
- Advocated for enhanced improvements along Yale Street.
- Co-sponsored back to school health and resource fair at Moody Park in Near Northside.
- Strongly advocated for BARC to be established under its own department.
- Joined with local elected officials in advocating for the designation of funds to Sam Houston High School.

Meet the Staff:

Sheena L. Childs



A University of Houston Downtown Alumni, Sheena graduated in 2008 with a BA in Communications.

An Army Brat, she has seen the world, and has been living in Texas for 8 years, living in El Paso, Killeen, Arlington and Houston. While Interning with Mayor White's office, she has worked hard and diligently for the city.

Sheena learned and assisted with city recovery efforts in all aspects of Hurricane Ike's aftermath.

Sheena recently joined Council Member Gonzalez's staff after working in the Mayor's Office.

She serves as the council member's scheduler, so if you need an appointment with Council Member Gonzalez, contact her!

Upcoming Events:

**Wednesday,
October 7th**

East End Chamber
of Commerce
Hosts: UH
On the Track for
Tier 1 Event!

Brady's Landing
\$5 entry fee

8505 Cypress St.
8 a.m.

**Saturday,
October 10th**

Sunbeam Curry
Neighborhood
Clean-Up

Call our office
for details
9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**Sunday,
October 11th**

Christ the King
Bazaar

4419 N. Main St.
9 a.m. - 8 p.m.

**Sunday,
October 18th**

Holy Name Bazaar

1917 Cochran St.
10 a.m. - 10 p.m.

**Sunday,
October 25th**

Pet Community
Fall Fair
Grace United
Methodist Church

13th & Heights Blvd.
2 p.m. - 7 p.m.

**Saturday,
November 14th**

Public Safety
101 Event
High School for
Law Enforcement &
Criminal Justice

4701 Dickson St.
9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

District H Town Halls: Thank you!

Thank you for attending our town hall meetings. The goal of the meetings was to hear about various issues and concerns directly from the constituents. Our office is working hard to serve you, and please do not hesitate to contact us at any time.

A special "thank you" goes out to all individuals who helped get the word out and coordinate the events.

If you were unable to attend a town hall meeting, contact us so we can assist you!

District H Leader Receives Mayor's Hispanic Heritage Award



Near Northside's very own, Mr. Armando Bermudez received the distinguished Hispanic Heritage Award this year. Mr. Bermudez has been very active in the Near Northside, and is President of the Northside BOND Civic Organization.

He is the "go to" person in the area - and because of his efforts, the Northside BOND area has become a better place to live.

Thank you for all that you do Mr. Bermudez, and congratulations again!

Eastwood Park "Boundless Playground" Ground Breaking

Recently, Council Member Gonzalez joined Constable Victor Trevino, Joe Turner from City Parks Department, residents from Eastwood, and representatives from CVS at Eastwood Park.

The "Boundless Playground" Program is geared to ensure that all children have equal access to playground equipment, regardless of physical disabilities. The CVS Corporation contributed \$225,000 for the project. We thank everyone who participated in this very worthwhile endeavor!



Not sure about your trash pick-up schedule?

As you may know, the city has changed the schedule of heavy trash items, with a rotation of tree waste or junk waste as designated on the Solid Waste Management Department's chart to the left.

Another way to remember this is that "odd" numbered months are tree waste and "even" numbered months are junk waste.

The tree waste schedule is conducted on your regularly scheduled "heavy trash" pick up day. If you have further questions, feel free to contact our office.

Solid Waste Management Department	
TREE WASTE SCHEDULE	
January	Tree Waste ONLY
February	Junk Waste
March	Tree Waste ONLY
April	Junk Waste
May	Tree Waste ONLY
June	Junk Waste
July	Tree Waste ONLY
August	Junk Waste
September	Tree Waste ONLY
October	Junk Waste
November	Tree Waste ONLY
December	Junk Waste

Helpful Contact Information:

City Help Line:	311 or 713-837-0311
United Way Help Line:	211
Crisis of Houston Central:	713-468-5463
Mayor's Citizen Assistance Office:	832-393-0947
Police (non-emergency):	713-884-3131
Mayor's Anti-Gang Office:	832-393-0931

District H Office Contact Info:

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